

SENATE BILL 3895

By Burchett

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 7,
relative to governmental regulations of certain
utilities and carriers.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 7-59-203, is amended by deleting the section in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

No municipality or county shall grant any overlapping franchise for cable service within its jurisdiction unless such applicant receives approval by two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the legislative body of the municipality or county, and no municipality or county shall grant any overlapping franchises for cable service within its jurisdiction on terms and conditions more favorable or less burdensome than those in any existing franchise within such municipality or county.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.